

**PCI AND MII COMPATIBLE HOME PHONELINE NETWORKING ALLIANCE
(HPNA) INTERFACE DEVICE**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A networking interface device for coupling a system host having one of a plurality configurations to a network medium. The device having a peripheral component interconnect (PCI) interface for coupling the interface device to a system host configured with a PCI based system bus interface; a medium independent interface (MII) for coupling the interface device to a system host configured with a media access controller (MAC) based system bus interface; and a control block for determining whether the interface device is operably coupled to a system host having a PCI based system bus interface or a MAC based system bus interface.

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